brutal dictatorship; and H. Con. Res 129, expressing appreciation for the longstanding support and friendship of the people and Government of the United Kingdom.

PROTECTION OF LAWFUL COMMERCE IN ARMS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 1036, Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act.

U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK FEE MODERNIZATION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property held a hearing on H.R. 1561, United States Patent and Trademark Fee Modernization Act of 2003. Testimony was heard from James Rogan, Under Secretary, Intellectual Property and Director, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 901, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct a bridge on Federal land west of an adjacent to Folsom Dam in California; and H.R. 1284, to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 to increase the Federal share of the costs of the San Gabriel Basin Demonstration project; H.R. 135, Twenty-First Century Water Commission Act of 2003; and H.R. 495, Zuni Indian Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 2003.

SMALL BUSINESS EXPENSING

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Tax, Finance, and Exports held a hearing on Small Business: ness Expensing: Increasing Incentives for Small Companies to Grow and Invest in their Businesses. Testimony was heard from Gregg Jenner, Deputy Assistant Secretary and Senior Advisor for Tax Policy, Department of the Treasury; and public wit-

FEDERAL HIGHWAY AND TRANSIT PROGRAMS AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways, Transit, and Pipelines concluded hearings on Member Policy Initiatives and Project Requests for Reauthorization of Federal Highway and Transit Programs. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lucas of Kentucky, Stenholm, Bordallo, Case, Rodriguez, Linda T. Sánchez of California, Bradley of New Hampshire, Bono, Baca, Lampson, Carson of Indiana, Gonzalez, Goodlatte, Rush, Davis of Illinois, DeGette, Weller, LaHood, Johnson of Illinois, Kirk, Franks of Aricana Hayas McCellum, Pitta Capita, Langton zona, Hayes, McCollum, Pitts, Capito, Loretta Sanchez of California. Herger, Burgess, Majette, Edwards, Boozman, John, McCrery, Ross, Vitter, Rogers of Michigan, Lewis of Kentucky, King of Iowa, Kind, Kanjorski, Schakowsky, Bell and Strickland.

SERVICEMEMBERS CIVIL RELIEF ACT: COLUMBIA ORBITER MEMORIAL ACT

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 100, amended, Servicemembers Civil Relief Act; and H.R. 1297, Columbia Orbiter Memorial Act.

ENERGY TAX POLICY ACT: TAXPAYER PROTECTION AND IRS ACCOUNTABILITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 1531, Energy Tax Policy Act of 2003; and H.R. 1528, Taxpayer Protection and IRS Accountability Act of 2003.

JOINT MILITARY INTELLIGENCE/TACTICAL INTELLIGENCE AND RELATED PROGRAMS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Joint Military Intelligence Program/Tactical Intelligence and Related Programs. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, **APRIL 4, 2003**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on Iraq's violations of the Law of Armed Conflict, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing entitled "Project BioShield: Contracting for the Health and Security of the American Public," 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of April 7 through April 12, 2003

Senate Chamber

On *Monday,* At 3 p.m., Senate will be in a period of morning business until 5 p.m.; following which, Senate will consider and vote on the nomination of Cormac J. Carney, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider S. 476, CARE Act of 2003, S. 113, Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, and a POW Resolution, and any other cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: April 7, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department Energy's Office of Environmental Management and Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Man-

agement, 1:30 p.m., SD-124.

April 8, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Securities and Exchange Commission, 10 a.m., S-146, Capitol.

April 8, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine the fiscal year 2004 Emergency Preparedness and Response Budget Overview, 2 p.m.,

April 9, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Labor, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

April 9, Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the In-

ternal Revenue Service, 2 p.m., SD-124.

April 10, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Federal Bu-

reau of Investigation, 10 a.m., S-146, Capitol.

April 10, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimate for fiscal year 2004 for Corporation for National and Community Service and Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, 10 a.m., SD-138.

April 10, Subcommittee on Interior, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimate for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD-124.

April 10, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Library of Congress and the Open World Leadership Center, 1:30 p.m., SD-116.

April 10, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for science and technology, 2 p.m.,

SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: April 8, to hold hearings to examine proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, 10:15 a.m., SR-325.

April 8, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Defense, focusing on strategic forces and policy, to be followed by a closed session in SR-222, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

April 9, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine proposed legislation authorizing funds fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Defense, focusing on the readiness of the military services to conduct current operations and execute contingency plans, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: April 8, to hold oversight hearings to examine the impact of proposed RESPA rule on small business and consumers,

10 a.m., SD-538.

April 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine recent developments in Hedge Funds, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: April 8, business meeting to consider comprehensive energy legislation, 10 a.m., SD-366.

April 9, Full Committee, business meeting to consider comprehensive energy legislation, 10 a.m., SD-366.

April 10, Full Committee, business meeting to consider comprehensive energy legislation, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: April 8, Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate Change, and Nuclear Safety, to hold hearings to examine S. 485, to amend the Clean Air Act to reduce air pollution through expansion of cap and trade programs, to provide an alternative regulatory classification for units subject to the cap and trade program, 2 p.m., SD-406.

April 10, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water, to hold oversight hearings to examine the designation of critical habitat under the Endangered Species

Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: April 8, to hold hearings to examine Enron, focusing on the Joint Committee on Taxation Report on compensation-related issues, 10 a.m., SD-215.

April 9, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the annual report for 2003 of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Old Age and Survivors Insurance and Disability Insurance Trust Funds, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: April 8, to resume hearings to examine NATO enlargement, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

April 8, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold hearings to examine global energy security issues, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

April 9, Full Committee, business meeting to consider proposed legislation entitled "Foreign Relations Authorities of the Deposit ization Act", to authorize appropriations for the Department of State, and United States international broadcasting activities, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

April 9, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Joseph LeBaron, of Oregon, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, Gregory W. Engle, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to the Togolese Republic, Wayne E. Neill, of Nevada, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Benin, and Helen R. Meagher La Lime, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mozambique, 3 p.m., SD-419.

April 9, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Heather M. Hodges, of Ohio, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Moldova, Eric S. Edelman, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Turkey, Ralph Frank, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Turkey, Ralph Frank, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Turkey, Ralph Frank, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Curtain Pane I. Harrish and Curtain Pane II. Harrish Pane II. Harri sador to the Republic of Croatia, Reno L. Harnish, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Azerbaijan, and Stephen D. Mull, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lithuania, 4:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: April 8, Sub-committee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold joint hearings with the House Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization to examine the federal government's strategic human capital management and consider pending legislation on the federal workforce, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

April 9, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Homeland Security, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

April 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Peter Eide, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, 9:30

April 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine prosecuting Iraqi war crimes, 12 noon, SD-342.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: April 8, to hold hearings to examine proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Mammography Quality Standards Act, focusing on patient access to quality health care, 10 a.m., SD-430.

April 9, Full Committee, business meeting to consider proposed legislation entitled "The Improved Vaccine Affordability and Availability Act" and pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-430.

April 9, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Threat, 1:30

April 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the teaching of American history and civics in the classroom, 9 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on the Judiciary: April 8, to hold hearings to examine S.J.Res.1, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: April 8, to hold oversight hearings to examine the operations of the Sergeant at Arms, the Library of Congress and the Congressional Research Service, 9:30 a.m., SR–301.

House Chamber

To be announced.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, April 10, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing on implementation of the 2002 Farm bill and 2003 Agriculture Assistance, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, April 8, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Special Security Events, 2 p.m.,

2359 Rayburn.

April 8, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, to continue on NIH, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

April 8, Subcommittee on Transportation and Treasury, and Independent Agencies, on Secretary of Transportation, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

April 8, Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent

Agencies, on NASA, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

April 9, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies, on Supreme Court 10 a.m., and on FTC, 2 p.m., H–309 Capitol.

April 9, Subcommittee on District of Columbia, on Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency, 10 a.m.,

2362A Rayburn.

April 9, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs, on AID, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Äpril 9, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on Bioterrorism, 10:15 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

April 9, Subcommittee on Legislative, on House of Representative, 2 p.m., on GAO, 3 p.m., on CBO, 4 p.m., on GPO, 4:30 p.m., and on Library of Congress, 5:30 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

April 9, Subcommittee on Transportation and Treasury, and Independent Agencies, on National Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign, 10 a.m., and on FAA Personnel Costs and Management, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

April 9, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, on public witnesses, 9:30 a.m., and 1:30 p.m.,

H–143 Capitol.

April 10, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and the Judiciary and Related Agencies, on Members of Congress, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

April 10, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Science and Technology, 10 a.m., and on U.S. Coast Guard, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

April 10, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Related Agencies, on Secretary of Labor, 10:15 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

April 10, Subcommittee on Transportation and Treasury and Independent Agencies, on Passenger Rail (Panel), 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

April 10, Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on NSF, 10 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, April 8, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, to mark up H.R. 660, Small Business Health Fairness Act of 2003, 11 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

April 9, full Committee, to mark up H.R. 1350, Improving Education Results for Children With Disabilities Act of 2003, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, April 8, Sub-committee on Health, hearing entitled "Designing a Twenty-First Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

April 9, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Strengthening and Improving Medicare," 10 a.m., 2322

Rayburn.

April 9, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, to mark up H.R. 1320, Commercial Spectrum Enhancement Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, April 8. Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing on H.R. 1474, Check Clearing for the 21st Century Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

April 8, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "Promoting the American Dream of Homeownership through Down Payment Assistance," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, April 7, Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats, and International Relations, hearing on "The President's Management Agenda: Rightsizing the U.S. Presence Abroad," 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

April 8, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources, hearing entitled "ONDCP Reauthorization: The High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program and CTAC," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

April 8, Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs, hearing on "California's Electricity Market: Refunds and Reform," 2 p.m., 2154

Rayburn.

April 8, Subcommittee on Government Efficiency and Financial Management, oversight hearing entitled "The Consolidated Financial Statements of the Federal Government for Fiscal Year 2002," 10:30 a.m., 2203 Rayburn.

April 8, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, hearing entitled "Cyber Security: The Challenges Facing Our Nation In Critical Infrastructure Protection," 9:30 a.m.,

2247 Rayburn.

April 9, full Committee, to consider immunity for William Bulger and Francis Salemme; followed by a hearing on "The SARS Threat: Is the Nation's Public Health Network Prepared for a Possible Epidemic," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

April 10, hearing entitled "Are We Ready for Prime Time? Assessing the State of Emergency Readiness in the Nation's Capital," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, April 10, Subcommittee on Europe, hearing on The Balkans: Assessing the Progress and Looking to the Future, 1:30 p.m., 2172

Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, April 8, Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 272, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land to Lander County, Nevada, and the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Eureka County, Nevada, for continued use as cemeteries; H.R. 437, Coltsville Study Act of 2003; and H.R. 1113, to authorize an exchange of land at Fort Frederica National Monument, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

April 10, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on H.R. 1497, Sikes Act Reauthorization Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

April 10, Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on CALFED's Cross-cut Budget, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Science, April 9, hearing on The Societal Implications of Nanotechnology, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

April 10, Subcommittee on Environment, Technology, and Standards, hearing on Transportation Research and Development: Investing in the Future, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, April 8, Subcommittee on Rural Enterprise, Agriculture and Technology, hearing on Litigating the Americans with Disability Act, focusing on H.R. 728, ADA Notification Act, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

April 9, full Committee, hearing entitled "Will We Have An Economic Recovery Without a Strong U.S. Manufacturing Base?" 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, April 8, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on EPA Grants Management: Persistent Problems and Proposed Solutions, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

April 9, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on Reauthorization of the Federal Aviation Administration and The Aviation Programs: General Aviation, 2 p.m., 2167

Rayburn.

April 9, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on Regional economic development authority issues relating to reauthorization of the Economic Development Administration, 2 p.m., 2253 Rayburn.

April 10, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on the Coast Guard's Consolida-

tion of District Offices, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, April 9, Subcommittee on Benefits and the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness of the Committee on Education and the Workforce, joint hearing on the Troops to Teachers Pro-

workforce, joint hearing on the Troops to Teachers Program, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

April 10, Subcommittee on Benefits, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 241, Veterans Beneficiary Fairness Act of 2003; H.R. 533, Agent Orange Veterans' Disabled Children's Benefits Act of 2003; H.R. 761, Disabled Servicemembers Adapted Housing Assistance Act of 2003; H.R. 850, Former Prisoners of War Special Compensation Act of 2003; H.R. 966, Disabled Veterans' Return-to-Work Act of 2003; and H.R. 1048, Disabled Veterans, Adaptive Benefits, Improvement Act of 2003: Veterans Adaptive Benefits Improvement Act of 2003; 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

April 10, Subcommittee on Health, oversight hearing on medical and prosthetic research programs in the Department of Veterans Affairs, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

April 10, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on VA's progress in the development of the medical education program mandated by Section 3 of the Department of Veterans Affairs Emergency Preparedness Act of 2002, 10 a.m., 340 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, April 8, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing to examine implementation of the Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997, 3 p.m.,

B-318 Rayburn.

April 8, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on the 2003 tax return filing season and IRS budget for fiscal

year 2004, 9 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

April 9, full Committee, hearing on modernizing Medicare and integrating prescription drugs into the program, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

April 10, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on the Nation's Unemployment program and the effect of benefits on recipients' returns to work, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Joint Meetings: April 8, Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold joint hearings with the House Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization to examine the federal government's strategic human capital management and consider pending legislation on the federal workforce, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Joint Economic Committee: April 10, to hold hearings to examine Medicare's financial crisis, focusing on the longterm financial viability of the program, proposals to add a prescription drug benefit and other reforms, 10 a.m.,

SD-562.